



NPS Actions to Date

Assateague Beach Coast Guard Station Bibliographic & Oral History Survey

Purpose: To create an annotated resource list identifying sources and stories associated with the Station including a range of human history stories relevant to the Station's use. Preserving these stories will enhance the park's interpretive program, create a richer visitor experience and help future researchers and historians.

Completed: May 2003



Analysis of Renewable Energy Systems for the Assateague Beach CG Station

Purpose: To evaluate the feasibility of alternative energy sources such as solar, wind and photovoltaic energy for use at the Station. The study found that the capital costs for alternative energy systems dramatically exceeded the long-term cost for grid-supplied electricity.

Completed: December 2002



Assateague Beach Coast Guard Station Market Feasibility Study

Purpose: To determine the financial feasibility of reusing the Station while meeting all the preservation standards to maintain its historic eligibility status. The study analyzed the feasibility of a small bed-and-breakfast, a single-family vacation retreat and rental facility or an institutional marine science and environmental research facility. While historic leases are frequently used as a way to preserve historic structures, the study found that commercial uses of the Station would not be economically feasible.

Completed: March 2002



Assateague Beach Coast Guard Station Cultural Landscape Inventory Report

Purpose: To evaluate the cultural landscape associated with the Assateague Beach Coast Guard Station and assess its eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places. The study developed a comprehensive inventory of existing landscape features and concluded that the overall cultural landscape retains a high degree of integrity from the period of use by the Coast Guard and, as such, is eligible for the National Register. The NPS maintains a Cultural Landscapes Inventory which is a comprehensive inventory of all historically significant landscapes within the National Park System.

Completed: 2001



Assateague Beach Coast Guard Station Historic Structure Report

Purpose: To evaluate the physical evolution, existing conditions and character-defining features of the Station. The study concluded that the structures remain largely true to their original form and character, and that preservation of external appearance and architectural features is key to protecting the Station's historical significance and value.

Completed: draft, September 2000



Assateague Beach Coast Guard Station Public Meetings

Purpose: To present information on the Coast Guard Station and ask for ideas for future management. Comments included: no private enterprises; no overnight accommodations; support for education & research center; relocate station; abandon station; use only for recreation; support rehabilitation & preservation.

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